

## DECISION MEMORANDUM

**TO: COMMISSIONER KJELLANDER  
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**DATE: DECEMBER 11, 2019**

**SUBJECT: IN THE MATTER OF IDAHO POWER'S PETITION FOR APPROVAL OR DENIAL OF AN ENERGY SALES AGREEMENT WITH LITTLE WOOD IRRIGATION DISTRICT FOR THE SALE AND PURCHASE OF ELECTRIC ENERGY FROM THE LITTLE WOOD RIVER RESERVOIR HYDRO PROJECT; CASE NO. IPC-E-19-35.**

On November 8, 2019, Idaho Power Company ("Idaho Power" or "Company") filed an Application requesting consideration of an Energy Sales Agreement ("ESA" or "Agreement") with Little Wood Irrigation District ("Little Wood") for energy generated by the Little Wood River Reservoir Hydro project ("Facility"). The Facility is a 2.85 megawatt nameplate capacity hydro facility near Carey, Idaho. The Facility is a qualifying facility ("QF") under the Public Utility Regulatory Policies Act of 1978. The Facility has a scheduled First Energy Date under the ESA of March 1, 2020. The Company requests that its Application be processed by Modified Procedure and the Commission make its determination before the February 29, 2020.

### THE APPLICATION

The Facility has been delivering energy to Idaho Power in accordance with a power sales agreement dated August 17, 1984, which expires February 29, 2020. The Company states that the Agreement contains published non-seasonal, non-levelized hydro published avoided cost rates for a 20-year term. The Company requests the Commission declare all payments for purchase of energy under the ESA be allowed as prudently incurred expenses for ratemaking purposes.

### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends the Commission issue a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure and set a 21-day comment deadline and a 7-day reply comment deadline.

**COMMISSION DECISION**

Does the Commission wish to issue a Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure and set a 21-day comment deadline and a 7-day reply comment deadline?



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